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# Teacher, 2 students involved in accident

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Three members of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School were involved in a serious car accident on Thursday, Feb. 25.

"One teacher and two students were injured on their way to an OFSAA Nordic ski competition in Collingwood yesterday," Catherine Shedden, communications manager of the Trillium Lakelands District School Board, confirmed in an email to the *Echo*.

The students have minor injuries and the teacher, Jennifer Paton, was seriously injured and is in hospital.

The school board is not releasing the names of the students as they don't have permission from the families at this time.

"Counsellors are at the school to assist in sharing this information and offering support to staff and students," Shedden said on Friday.

"We are all hoping for a quick recovery for all involved."

In a text message, Jennifer's husband Blake Paton said, "although her injuries were life threatening, she is progressing well and is expected to recover from

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Mike Jaycock laughs at himself get roasted by a pre-recorded Jack Brezina at the 10th anniversary Business and Community Achievement Awards Gala on Saturday, Feb. 27 at the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre in Haliburton. Jaycock dished out the barbs for the event's 10 year history as host and was recognized by the chamber with an Honourary Member award./DARREN LUM Staff

### Chamber of Commerce marks decade of awards

JENN WATT

Editor

Fuel for Warmth and the woman who founded it received a hearty community thank-you on Saturday night when both the charity and Joanne Barnes took home Not-for-Profit of the Year and Highlander of the Year at the Business and Commu-

nity Achievement Awards.

The evening celebrated excellence in the public and private sector, calling attention to hard work, perseverance and charity within the Highlands community. This is the 10th year that the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce has hosted the event – and the 10th year for MC Mike Jaycock.

"Food insecurity looms for many resi-

dents of Haliburton County. The consequences often go beyond hunger affecting all aspects of life, family, education and health," said Jaycock, reading the anonymous judge's words in selecting Barnes for the award. Barnes is manager and founder of Fuel for Warmth. She is also the manager of the Minden Community

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Morgan Burke took this photo of a bald eagle at the Haliburton landfill on Feb. 28.





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## Long recovery expected

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them."

"We're pleased that there seems to be no significant spinal cord damage. It will be a long recovery. There has been a great outpouring of support from the community, and for that we're very grateful," he said. "Jen can't take advantage of the many offers to help yet, but in time she will be able to."

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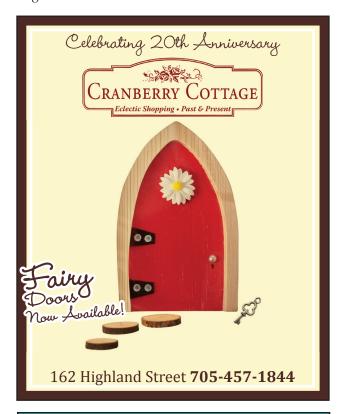
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## Liberal budget unsustainable, Scott says

JENN WATT

Editor

The provincial Liberals' budget offers plenty of policy changes and spending commitments, but under that is an unstable foundation of crippling debt, says local Conservative MPP Laurie Scott.

"Everything's going to get more expensive," she said in a phone interview from Wilberforce on Friday after attending the opening of the food centre there. She pointed out the symbolism of having to open a food bank on the day the government announced prices of gas and home heating would be rising.

"I already have lots of people who ... have a hard time paying their hydro bills," she said.

The provincial government plans to spend about \$137 billion in the coming year and promises to balance the budget by 2018.

Scott doesn't believe that will happen. "This is the ninth consecutive budget that there's a deficit," she said, accusing the Liberals of mismanaging the money throughout their time in government.

The headliner of this year's budget was undoubtedly the announcement that tuition to postsecondary institutions would be free for youth coming from homes with incomes of \$50,000 or below. For those families with incomes \$83,000 and below, grants would be available to cover tuition for about half of those students.

Fleming College responded to the policy with enthu-

"We are pleased to see the government make enhanced support for low-income students a priority in its budget,' Tony Tilly, president of Fleming College, said in a press

Eighty per cent of Fleming College students use the Ontario Student Assistance Program, which currently gives out loans to students that they must pay back after graduating.

The government also announced cap and trade would be coming to companies in Ontario. It would allow businesses to buy and trade emissions credits and will raise about \$1.9 billion for the province.

At the same time, the price of gas will increase 4.3

Scott said that increase disproportionately affects those in rural areas who have no option but to drive.

Of most concern is the crushing scale of the debt, she

"There's health care, education and just paying the interest on the debt – it's the third largest budget item. It's larger than tens of ministries combined. It's larger than they spend on postsecondary education and social services, for example," she said.

"A lot of the money that could go to other services we want, like health care, it's eaten up by the \$11 billion interest payments on that debt."



#### Sir Sam's snow day

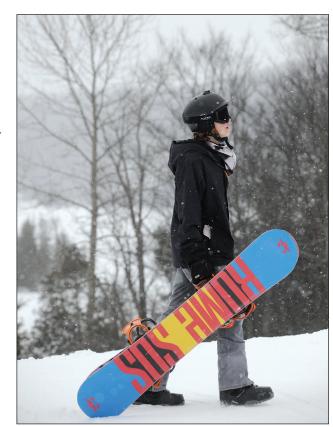
Area outdoor recreation staff workers Robynne Howard receives some snowboarding tips from Anna Parker, who swapped equipment for the later part of their unplanned day off from work. They spent the day at Sir Sam's Ski and Bike on Thursday, Feb. 25 because of the snow day, cancelling school buses and the school group they were supposed to have led. Parker is



Area outdoor recreation staff workers Robynne Howard falls while snowboarding. She spent the day with a colleague, who loaned her snowboard and boots, at Sir Sam's Ski and Bike



A bundled snowboarder shows how to stay warm and cool



A snowboarder walks from the slopes on Thursday during the second of two snow days, which cancelled school buses in Trillium Lakelands District School Board./DARREN LUM Staff





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## **Creating new jobs** by supporting local entrepreneurs

JENN WATT

Editor

Economic development is no longer solely about attracting outside investment, economic development specialist Brock Dickinson says; it's more about fostering

growth using what you have already.
Dickinson is CEO of MDB Insight, an economic development consultancy and he has a long and prestigious CV that includes years spent working for the United Nations.

On Tuesday, March 8, he will be speaking in Haliburton as part of the Workforce Development Board's Local Employment Planning Council launch at Pinestone

"Part of what we'll look at in the presentation is how the notion of what economic development is and what it's supposed to do has changed over time," says Dickinson. "Go back a couple of generations and it was all about 'smokestack chasing' – this notion that I can go around the world and lure some big factory to my community and create a thousand jobs and that's going to solve all my problems."

It's much more likely that a region would benefit from investment in current businesses and using the local labour pool to create jobs.

"Investment attraction is great and if it can work in a community it can add wealth. It can add jobs," he says. "But it's much more likely that our activities are going to be successful if we're focused on things like supporting local entrepreneurs or working with existing businesses in the community to help them grow and expand

Dickinson spent some of his career in Nova Scotia as executive director of Western Valley Development Authority. He grew up in that province and says after working for the United Nations he wanted to apply the big picture ideas at the community level.

He says in rural areas it's important to invest in training and "re-skilling" workers and that in the knowledge economy we must concentrate on promoting the work-

ers in the community.

"As we move into this knowledge economy, we find that things like taxes and tax rates or the cost of real estate are not the real drivers of economic development. In the knowledge economy, it's knowledge itself that becomes important."

The Workforce Development Board has been working to put together a strategic plan for the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities for the pilot project Local Employment Planning Council, which



Brock Dickinson, CEO of MDB Insight, will be speaking about the changing face of economic development at a special launch event at Pinestone Resort on March 8, 2016 at Pinestone Resort. Photo supplied

WDB chief executive officer Joe Celestini says will function like a hub.

'Basically, what we're doing is bringing together all of the key players that touch on the labour market including economic development," Celestini said.

The WDB covers City of Kawartha Lakes and Northumberland, Peterborough and Haliburton counties.

They have already created a central planning group, which is giving input on what the region needs, supported by three working groups. Together they are creating a plan that will be sent to the province. They are expecting approval by March 31 and from there can move ahead with funding projects to improve conditions for employment.

"Really, what this is all about is to get us as close as we possibly can that people who want a job will have an opportunity to get one," he said.

What is mandated to do in the pilot is fund meaningful projects that will support

priorities from the strategic plan."

The March 8 meeting is to introduce the concept to the community and allow

The event is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Pinestone near Haliburton on Tuesday, March 8.

There is no charge to attend the event nd a continental breakfast is included.



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## New meditation group emerges in Haliburton

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Everyone meditates for their own reason.

That's the message Lynda Shadbolt and Peter Smith want to promote when talking about a new meditation group in Haliburton.

The pair are two of the organizers behind the group, which started this past January and runs on a weekly

The idea for a local meditation initiative came about through experiences Shadbolt has had and conversations that took place around Christmastime.

A yoga instructor, Shadbolt was connecting with other members of the community who were interested in starting a group, and so they did.

"There are a lot of people who are meditating in this community," said Shadbolt. "It's just been one of those things that people have been talking about in various cir-

cles for a while and finally we thought we'd give it a try."
The format is simple; anyone is welcome to attend the group, regardless of age, ability or experience. The group meets weekly, currently at Blue Sky Yoga Studio on Dysart Avenue, for an hour. Meditation typically goes for half an hour.

It's up to the individual to meditate in whatever posture he or she prefers, whether it's sitting on a chair, standing, or lying down.

"What I think is really great about it is when we said we're going to do it, it's all based on people volunteering their time, which is actually the Buddhist tradition," said Shadbolt. "So far we've been having something every week, but it's all been through volunteers. It's very lowkey and everybody's welcome."

Because it is run by volunteers, the group is free of charge. The format starts with everyone getting settled, a bit of preamble, 30 minutes of silence and then a bit of follow-up chatter.

Each group leader facilitates in his or her own way, whether it be to incorporate sound or a reading into the

A longtime meditator, Shadbolt finds many benefits to

"I like the whole idea of just very carefully attending to this moment," she said. "I think in our busy lives where we're all multi-tasking all the time, I love to just make my life really simple and really quiet for a couple of days ... it's hard at times, it's hard to be with yourself. I've learned a lot about myself."

Although Smith is relatively new to the meditation practice, he is embracing it, having just gone on his first weekend retreat.



A new meditation group has emerged in Haliburton, held weekly at Blue Sky Yoga Studio on Dysart Avenue. The group is run by volunteers and is free to anyone who wants to come. Sessions are an hour long and the day and time varies by week. ANGELICA INGRAM Staff

It was a workshop offered through the Haliburton School of Art and Design that gave Smith his first taste

"For me it's just the awareness of being aware," he said. "You know you're busy, and you've got a lot of things ... it sounds really simple but it's just the awareness. The neat part is kids are doing it, Trillium Lakelands is introducing meditation and using it for conflict resolution. I think it's a positive thing.'

The group usually draws about 10 to 15 people each week. Chairs and cushions are provided.

The possibilities of the group are endless, say Shadbolt. "Eventually I would like to do a half-day or even some full-days with some people, you know to just take that time and pause," she said. "I like the simplicity of it ... we just want to keep it very simple and easy to access and everybody is welcome. That's our big thing.

For more information on the group, visit www.haliburtonyoga.com or email Smith at peter@petersmith.ca.





#### Food centre officially open

The Central Food Network's Wilberforce Food Centre was officially opened by the network's president John Teljeur, left, food centre manager and network board member Ken Mott with project partner the municipality of Highlands East, who were represented by Councillor Joan Barton and property manager Jim Alden on Friday, Feb. 26 in Wilberforce. They were joined by Ontario Trillium Foundation grant review team chairman Jack Brezina and MPP Laurie Scott. A community event for the centre is being planned for this coming spring. The centre used a \$141,300 OTF grant received in 2014 and the partnership between the network and Highlands East to build the facility onto the Lloyd Watson Centre. It was originally scheduled to have been completed in August, but faced delays related to purchasing the freezer for a price that fit the grant budget. Mott welcomes perishable and non-perishable donations, particularly for the new walk-in fridge and the walk-in freezer. Absent for the photo was the network's secretary/treasurer Sharon Stoughton-Craig./DARREN LUM Staff



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## Indebted

OU COULDN'T HAVE asked for a more humble response from a Highlander of the Year recipient.

On Saturday evening, Joanne Barnes, manager of both the Minden Community Food Centre and Fuel for Warmth took home the night's big prize with a decidedly understated approach.

"What I do is just everyday for me. It's wonderful to be acknowledged and even without the acknowledgement I would still be out there doing it. I enjoy helping

people. It's nice to see them come into the office very downtrodden, but when they leave the office they have less weight on their shoulders. My mandate is to feed people and keep them warm," she said simply. And then she was off the stage.

Barnes has been doing good work for people of the county for years. Sometimes because her work

involves one-on-one transactions – those personal, vulnerable interactions when one must ask for help – the importance of her actions isn't noticed as obviously as others' might be.

It makes it harder to see and therefore harder to recognize.

But make no mistake: the effects of Barnes's work, and that of the entire Fuel for Warmth and Minden Community Food Centre staff and volunteer base, is widely felt.

Since 2009, Fuel for Warmth has assisted 400 families with home heating across Haliburton County. The food bank has hundreds of families on its roster.

These are people who are not just

needing food, but who are going through difficulties. It's important that the people receiving them do so with respect and empathy - traits that Barnes demonstrates in the work she does.

Another group of incredibly deserving volunteers in the community were honoured on Saturday as well. This year's Warden's Award was given to the 150 volunteer firefighters of Haliburton County.

In a powerful speech, Warden Carol Moffatt explained why this group was worthy of recognition.

"They run in when everyone else is running out. They see people at their worst and they see some pretty terrible things, but they keep going back," she

Whole families are affected when one member becomes a firefighter: nights are left sleepless; meals go unfinished; holiday celebrations are delayed. Their work ensures the rest of us can live in rel-

ative security knowing that when the worst happens, community members will be there ready and

As Moffatt said, our firefighters are the ones who show up when everything is in ruins and they make things better.

"They deal with the smashed, the bleeding, the broken and the dead and for that they take home a couple thousand dollars pay," she said.
On Saturday night, many in the

room were teary eyed acknowledging the deep debt we collectively owe our fire departments. Their efforts are deserving of the Warden's Award and so much more.



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Snow dunes

by Darren Lum

## **Circles of love**

Tales from

Lynda

the great

'N MY LAST ARTICLE I talked about the loving kindness meditation retreat that I went on. The premise is that we can offer loving kindness towards ourselves, towards people we are thinking of and towards situations that might be challenging or need support. On the last morning of the retreat the teacher guided us in a visualization that was really nice at the time and I had no idea that I would use it two weeks later in my life.

Our entire community was in shock on Thursday afternoon when we

received the news that Jennifer Paton was in critical condition following a serious vehicle accident in Collingwood. In the hours after the news broke, hundreds and hundreds of emails and texts circulated in the community as people who know her, and the two students with her, contacted each other.

ately started sending love and prayers to all three of them.

I was awake in the middle of the night thinking about Jennifer and I used the meditation that I was taught two weekends prior. The meditation involves visualizing concentric circles of love around the person you are thinking of. And so this was my image as I thought of Jennifer as she was in surgery and now in recovery.

The first circle of love to surround lings, cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts, in are the many nurses and doctors in in Toronto who are taking care of her. Then her close friends who she bikes, skis, runs and hangs out with surround her. All the teachers, administrators and support staff that she currently works with, and has worked with in her 20 years of teaching at our high school are present. Then step in all the students she is teaching this year, and in the past.

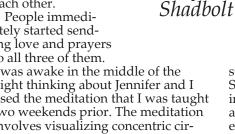
She is an excellent teacher who I know has helped and inspired so many over the years in math, guidance and other courses. Then comes the clubs that she has worked with at the school – Interact, the rugby team this fall and of course the ski team. Around them come her wine tasting

club friends and the women in her book club.

Jennifer has done Monday night yoga for 17 years and all the yogis join the circle. Next come all of her friends from the Haliburton Summer Festival, who she has worked with as a stage manager, and as a parent of performing kids. Jennifer joined the Shout Sisters Choir this fall and they too join the circle. She has had at least three exchange

student daughters from France and Switzerland who I visualize stepping in. The Rotary Clubs of Haliburton and Minden gave Jennifer their highest award a couple of years ago, the Paul Harris Fellow, for her work with Interact. I know they are thinking of her as well. And then her childhood and university friends and everyone who has taught her step in. Finally the entire community and many other circles of support that I don't know, but are there, step in.

All these circles of love surrounding her and wishing her strength and love for healing and recovery. It has to help. We are all thinking of you, Jennifer, and we are all here to support you on your healing journey.



her comes from her immediate family: Blake, Betty, Charlotte, Jennifer's mom (and dad in spirit), her sibuncles and in-laws. The next to step our community, in Collingwood and

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## points of view

### Dream on

'DON'T OFTEN REMEMBER MY DREAMS – or where I left my car keys – but last night's still remains incredibly vivid in my mind.

I stood on the African savannah under a searing sun with nothing but tall grass ahead. I carried a Mauser rifle in .416 Rigby. A professional hunter and his trackers stood behind

Suddenly, a low growl interrupted the silence.

Then, the tall grass parted and the muscular, tawny back of a man-eating lion could be seen as it charged with remarka-

Later, the media would dub him Irving.

Naturally, there was panic in the ranks. The trackers bolted; the PH yelled "Shoot!" as he readied his own rifle.

I, however, took a deep breath, casually raised my rifle, and finally pulled the trigger when the lion was at my feet. Since it was a dream, I hit where I aimed. When the lion finally slid to a stop, its massive head nudged my boot.

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What followed was high praise from the PH, respect from the trackers and a quick comment about me being cool as a cucumber in the face of certain death.

Then, I woke up.

I was feeling fairly smug. That meant I was about to approach the day with a cockiness and selfassurance no freelance writer under tight deadlines has the right to possess.

Luckily, we have cats.

And, one of them, Maggie, chose that moment to leap upon the bed. Had I known it was little Maggie,

the least threatening creature on the face of the earth, I might not have reacted the way I did.

Unfortunately, my mind was still in lion charge mode. I'm not proud of what happened next, although who knew I could hit that high note?

I only relay this to show there is a difference between dreams and reality.

I mean, if my reaction to Maggie's sudden appearance was any indication, my dream should have gone differently.

In fact, for it to be wholly accurate, it might have ended well for all involved. First, the lion might have stopped his charge the second he heard me yelp and throw my rifle towards the sky – not out of any compassion, mind you, but rather because he probably sensed his charge would have changed how palatable I actually was.

Even if he had no sense of smell, he would have quickly realized that nothing on the savannah, not even a cheetah, would have ever caught me.

I suppose he might have ambled away a little embarrassed for me too. The walk back to the camp might have also been fairly quiet, except for the trackers breaking out into giggle fits every now and again – just like Jenn is currently doing.

That would have been far more accurate.

Thankfully, it doesn't work this way. Otherwise no one would ever advise you to follow your dreams.

Dreams – the good ones at least – allow your ego full creative control. As a result, they'll permit you to experience things you might wish for but never get in real life, within reason.

Which is to say, I'm not taller in my dreams; everyone else is shorter. That's why we keep the good dreams near and dear to our hearts.

If you are smart, you can learn something from those dreams too. For instance, I doubt I'll ever attempt to hunt man-eating lions. On the other hand, I'm not ruling out joining a boy band.



#### pic of the past

rs. Chris Barry, Mrs. A. Morrison, Mrs. Alf Jones, Mrs. Art Barry, daughter, Helen Barry outside the West Guilford Baptist Church. Submitted by K. Morrison

## County receives \$4,000 for Rail Trail study

TD Friends of the Environment Foundation funds local environmental projects across Canada. The County of Haliburton is the recipient of a grant of \$4,000 to embark upon a year long collaborative study of the biodiversity of the Haliburton County Rail Trail.

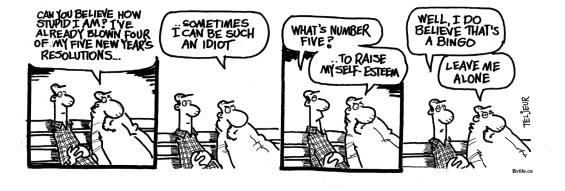
TAG, the committee for the Toronto to Algonquin Greenway, initiated the grant application and will act as project co-ordinator on a voluntary basis. Environmental biologist Paul Heaven of Glenside Ecological Services – well known to Haliburton residents for his work with the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust – has been engaged as the primary consultant for the project. But the entire community is invited to take part throughout the upcoming seasons as amateur biodiversity

On April 3, the Sunday Rambles will return to the Ĥaliburton County Rail Trail and ramblers of all ages will have the opportunity to learn about what to look for in the five habitat types that Heaven will profile in the study. These will be illustrated on portable display boards that will travel around to community events, such as fairs, festivals, and farmers markets. The five habitat types in order of their prevalence on the trail are: marsh/ shallow aquatic wetlands, treed swamp, grassland, thicket swamp and upland forest. Everyone is welcomed to discover the wealth of critters and plants that can be viewed up close along the old railbed stretching from Haliburton Village to Kinmount.

The idea for this type of project has been kicking around the community for a long time. J.D. Hodgson Elementary teacher and naturalist, Ed Poropat has long wanted to see an inventory conducted of all the species along the trail.

This will just be a start, but will dovetail nicely with a U-Links project to catalogue Don Smith's rail trail field notes. Retired Carleton University biology professor Don Smith is famous for his pocket notes that he has rigorously recorded for over a decade. Look out for that project at the upcoming Celebration of Research on March 19, 1 to 4 p.m., at Fleming College, Haliburton. For more info about the Natural Heritage Study or the Sunday Rambles, please call Pamela Marsales at 705-457-4767.

### ROONIEVILLE



## Company looking at bringing fibre optic Internet to Haliburton

JENN WATT

Editor

Small communities like Minden, Bancroft and Haliburton could be ideal candidates for a fibre optic network, Grant Roughley of North Frontenac Telephone Company told Minden Hills council during their meeting Feb. 25.

NFTC is considering the three towns, among others, for expansion of the service, which typically brings speeds between 10 and 100 times faster than standard DSL services(depending on the current state of a customer's Internet connection and the package they subscribe

Along with Internet, NFTC also offers TV and phone

Roughley told council that the company is looking at the three communities in a "preliminary review of layout or pre-design that feeds into a feasibility [study] where we look at capital cost, we look at the potential market size and the potential absorption rate."

He said they are about 75 per cent through that pro-

Should the company move forward in Minden or Haliburton, they would likely use the "backbone" of fibre built by the Eastern Ontario Regional Network, which was a collective effort by eastern Ontario municipalities to expand high-speed Internet to the area.

In a follow-up with Roughley after the meeting, he clarified that "this will depend how competitive the rates associated with the EORN project are compared to current market rates.

Although Haliburton County's municipalities recently signed on to a broadband deal that expanded fibre to 24 public buildings, that move is municipal in nature, not residential.

Councillor Pam Sayne asked Roughley how many residents in Minden Village could expect to receive service, should the company go forward.



Grant Roughley of North Frontenac Telephone Company refers to his notes while speaking to Minden Hills council on Thursday, Feb. 25. Roughley gave council an update on where NFTC is at with its feasibility study regarding potentially bringing fibre Internet to the villages of Bancroft, Haliburton and Minden. JENN WATT Staff

"There are limitations," he said. "You start to look at where there's a dilution to the point where it becomes too expensive, but there's also methodologies in our current communities ... there's line of sight towers, shortrange towers. There's ways to extend capacity that you're getting from your fibre network.'

NFTC is based in Sharbot Lake, north of Kingston, which is a small rural community. He said the company, therefore, had dealt with sparsely populated regions

Reeve Brent Devolin said he thought it would be useful for council to assume the service would be offered in the approximate region where water and sewer extend. Councillor Jeanne Anthon asked about price.

Roughley said he didn't want to speculate before the feasibility study was done, but pointed out that they would have to offer competitive prices in order to attract enough customers to make it worthwhile.

"I'm encouraged," Devolin said, "if you're three-quarters of the way through and you're still feeling confident that we can raise the bar.'

Roughley will be updating councils in Bancroft and Haliburton over the next month.

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## Red Hawks win COSSA silver

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

A few stood while others remained seated, applauding

the home team following the lopsided loss.

Few, if any, fans left before the conclusion of the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship final between the home side's Red Hawks senior boys' basketball team and visiting Nicholson Catholic College, located in Belleville.

Although Nicholson handily beat the Hawks 58-40, who jumped out to a 17-2 lead by the end of the first quarter, the way the fans showed their appreciation was something not lost on the Hawks' head coach Dave Waito and his players (Devon Bangay, Jalen Campbell, Travis Carroll, Drew Van Lieshout, McKay Coneybeare, Caleb Schmidt, Hunter Smith and Nick Thompson), who inspired everyone that followed the team in their season.

"On a Friday night at 6 o'clock there's a hundred people to watch is a pretty cool thing," he said.

Even in defeat, he said, this team will move on from

this final in ways more important than the game.

"It's been a pleasure and an honour working with guys who have been committed like these guys have and they're all really good young men. I think they'll do really good things outside of basketball," he said. "Sports isn't just about winning it's about building a lot of character and about developing a work ethic that transfers into a lot of other areas of your life ... It's been a special group and a special four years."

This success was part of a four-year plan that he started with this group back in Grade 9.

He remembers telling them their commitment and the measure of their success will be achieved in Grade 12.

None of the players or him, he said, imagined "hardware" was part of the success.



The Red Hawks guard Caleb Schmidt collides with a St. Paul's Falcons defender on a shot in the COSSA semi-finals on Friday, Feb. 26 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The Hawks won 41-25 and advanced to the final. /DARREN LUM Staff

The team's rise was noticed not just here by those closest to the Hawks, but in the surrounding area.

"Even around the league, not just in the town itself, I think we've turned some heads and we've shown that level of commitment that the boys have shown to the program. It breeds success and it makes real things happen," he said.

Waito received messages from coaches around the league, complimenting the team's ascent to the top of the

Nicholson head coach Tim Coates said his team played well overall in the win.

He credited the home team on offence.

"Give credit to Haliburton some of the things they did offensively caused problems for us," he said.

Nicholson, who finished 11-0 in the Bay of Quinte Bas-

ketball League and then went undefeated (3-0) in Bay of Quinte playoffs, played in AA for close to 12 years before they announced they were dropping to A level of competition a week before COSSA.

This switch proved advantageous, as the tougher competition in AA raised their game, he said.

Before the COSSA tournament, which included junior teams, chaos was on order.

Initially this tournament was scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 24, before two successive snow days proved to be the main ingredient for a recipe of trouble. Brock High School's senior team and St. Thomas Titans junior team were unable to make it because of transportation issues. Brock's school buses were not running because of a snow day, preventing them from coming while the Titans could not hire a bus. Neither came.

Earlier in the day, the Hawks beat St. Paul's Falcons

Following this game, Nicholson was supposed to have played Brock. With Brock's absence, the gap in the schedule enabled Nicholson to play well-rested for the 4 p.m. COSSA final.

Waito doesn't want to use the turmoil as an excuse, but

acknowledges it probably factored.
"The day's schedule changed quite a bit. I think it played some factor into keeping heads focused. I think at the same time they were there and plugged in and showed in that first game they were ready. It probably had some impact on the first quarter of the game that Nicholson hadn't had a game today so they were much more well-rested than we were, having just finished a hard game ... it may have. We'll never know for sure."

Waito said the highlight of the season for him came on

"I think getting to a COSSA final ... that was our goal from the beginning of the year and to some that might have seemed a lofty goal. I think it didn't end quite the way we wanted, but the guys weren't hanging their heads in the change room because I think they have a pretty good perspective about what all this has meant,"

He adds beating I.E. Weldon Secondary School this season was special. This included the road win, which left the Hawks with the best record (7-1) in the Kawartha West Basketball League and the triple overtime win here

That's a team I've never beat before this year," he said, referring to the perennial contender as a team beat. Like the T-shirts with "Haliburton Uprising" worn by

the Hawks' players, the team is representative of a new

With Tuesday night pick-up basketball having close to 40 people and 60 children ages Grade 3 to 6 out for the



The Red Hawks forward Hunter Smith, in white, stops because of Nicholson's defender Koyla Jelovac in the COSSA final on Friday, Feb. 26 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The Hawks lost 58-40. /DARREN LUM Staff

Steve Nash basketball program in the spring, the sport is coming into its own here.

Before this popularity surge, the team was working from a long-term plan, which paid off this season and, hopefully, for the future, Waito said.

"Our guys were working from something they had to

believe in this plan ... it wasn't tangible. It was abstract, right? They had not seen a group go through and be successful in basketball in this way, right? They had to believe in something they didn't really know how it was going to look or how it was supposed to look, but ... hopefully they gave the junior team this year and those younger guys in the Steve Nash group, they've given them something to aim towards and look up to, right? I think that is a pretty cool thing to say if we can take out

**Hawks notes:** Co-captain Travis Carroll scored a bucket and was perfect from the line in the first quarter for all of the team's four points. Point guard McKay Containing eybeare lit it up, scoring a career high 14 points by sinking four three-pointers and a pair of deuces. Co-captain Hunter Smith led his team with 12 points in the second half and finished with 15 for the game.

of the four years a legacy for Haliburton basketball is a pretty cool thing," he said.

The Hawks had a much better second half, scoring 24 points and allowing 28.





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## Denyer's rink prevails, winning COSSA championship title

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

All they need to do now is to win gold at the all-provincials to have the perfect

However the skip of the Red Hawks girls' curling team Alyssa Denyer said in an email she is proud of her team for earning its first COSSA (Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics) title and first OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations championship) berth in Omemee on Friday, Feb. 26.

The team of Tori Hawley, Alanna Casper and Emily Parish also won the Gore Mutual Schoolgirl Provincial Championships title earlier in February.

Denyer said she was "super proud of the team for making it to OFSAA! That alone on top of our [Gore] provincial win makes for an amazing season, no matter what happens at OFSAA."

She adds, "I know if we play like we played at the provincials, we will certainly be a force to be reckoned with!"

The Hawks went undefeated in three games to earn their title and a berth to OFSAA from March 7 to 10 in North Bay. Their first was against St. Theresa's, the second against cross-town rival Fenelon Falls Secondary School and the last game against Picton.

Denyer said the toughest challenge the team faced was against St. Theresa's, who "could draw really well."

The team, she said, adapted and won. Originally the COSSA championship was scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 24 at the Haliburton Curling Club. A snow day for Wednesday and Thursday cancelled school buses moving the championship to Omemee because of scheduling conflicts.

It proved to be unfortunate for fans and family, but it enabled an ill Denyer to

recover over the two days.

The COSSA championship did not include a final title game. It was structured as a round-robin format, which provides its own set of challenges, Denyer

The "round robin changes the attitude you have for each game because the little losses can make a big difference in whether you advance through or not. Shootout scores are also very important (each player on the team does a draw to the button and points are awarded depending on how close you get) the higher the score the better, when there is a tie, it is normally broken by shootout scores," she said.

Denyer adds at the championship the team managed "three out of four of our shots were partially on the button so we ended up with the highest shootout score."

The team's success for this title and the entire season is built on a foundation of friendship the past few years.

'Our chemistry definitely makes success and losing easier, because we are always able to keep each other grounded and support each other during tough games, rather than blaming each other and getting angry. And winning just feels a whole lot better when it's with good friends," she said.

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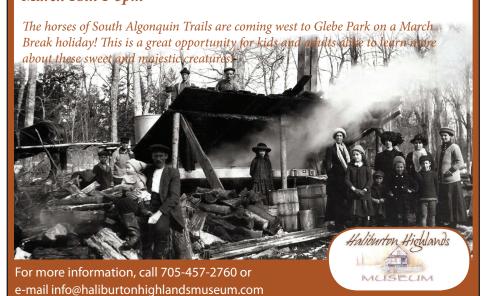
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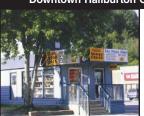
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## Hawks grapplers ready to join the best

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Simply amazing.

In the Red Hawks wrestling team's 12 year history there has always been at least one member who has earned an Ontario Federation Sports Athletic Association (OFSAA) championship berth.

This year wasn't any different, except there will be three Hawks, AJ Gillam, Sonora Plumb and Shane O'Reilly, who earned the right to compete at the allprovincials because of their Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics (COSSA) championship performances on Feb. 17 at the Kenner Collegiate Vocational Institute in Peterborough.

Coach Dan Fockler, who has been with the team for the entire dozen years with Paul Klose, gave context for the team's perennial success.

"You always feel bad for the ones that didn't make it and should have," he said.

It's this attitude that has been the hallmark of the team and has served its members well.

This year's group of all-provincial competitors are just as selfless as previous wrestlers and they are fittingly a reflection of their humble coaches, who regularly deflect credit for the team's success.

Second year wrestler Plumb (51 kilograms), who won silver at the COSSA championship, carefully chooses her words about the opportunity to compete at the all-pro-

"I wouldn't brag to anyone about it or anything. I'm not an overly super competitive person. I was laughing when I heard I got into OFSAA. I'm in it for the experience more than being competitive and about learning things," she said, referring to her berth.

Plumb wished a few of her female teammates could have gone on to the all-provincials with her.

"I kind of wanted some of the other girls to go on [to provincials] because it means more to them, but just because I'm not competitive does not mean I'm not going to try for it. It's just not going to be the worst thing in the world if it doesn't go how I want it to," she said.

The Grade 11 is the smallest of the three, but Fockler revealed there is an undeniable competitive fire that burns within her equal to any of the other teammates.

There's certainly an internal drive to do her best and I think that is healthy. She wants to do her best, which might not necessarily win the tournament, but in the long run it's a nice head space to be," he said.



Coach Paul Klose, left closest, wrestles with COSSA champion and OFSAA bound wrestler Shane O'Reilly (83



The Red Hawks wrestlers AJ Gillam (77 kilograms), left, Sonora Plumb (51 kilograms) and Shane O'Reilly (83 kilograms) have advanced to OFSAA taking place from Feb. 29 to March 2 in Windsor. They are all excited at the opportunity to compete at the all-provincials./DARREN LUM Staff

She has a great ability to adjust to her competitors, which is due to her strength of being able to execute counter moves.

The veteran of the trio with three years of wrestling experience, Gillam (77 kilograms) sees his OFSAA berth as a testament to the many hours of work and time he has invested in the sport.

"I've been waiting for it to come and I've been working every day to get further and further," he said.

Last year the Grade 11 student with the thick chest and bulging arms finished fifth at COSSA. He was hungry for improvement this year.

Although the top two of each category advanced to OFSAA, Gillam completed his day by winning his challenge match to beat out the silver medal winner for the

His day started with a loss in his first match at COSSA, but he put together a great wrestling performance when he strung together five consecutive match wins, including his challenge match on the consolation of the bracket.

Fockler loved to see his veteran qualify in a tough

That takes some grit to fight through on the backside of a tournament and come out in the finals. That was

Wrestling success is a family affair, as younger brother Keagan earned a berth to OFSAA wrestling last year. Rookie O'Reilly (83 kilograms), who towers over both

of his teammates, is a giant in height and girth. This isn't his first OFSAA berth in his athletic career at

Two years ago in Grade 9 he went to the all-provincials

for track and field, competing in javelin.

'The feeling of going to OFŚAA I don't think ever

will change. It's just one of those things that is so crazy to actually go to. You just can't adapt to," he said. "I'm still really nervous, but I did well. You never know how

O'Reilly dominated Kawartha and COSSA, beating all of his opponents for championship titles at both levels. The Kawartha title earned him a bye at COSSA.

He tells his teammates that the all-provincials is unlike any competition at the region or district level.

"When you go to OFSAA it's a worlds apart [from other competitions]," he said, referring to the crowds, corporate advertising evident and the field of competi-

tors, who are all capable of winning.

Being a first-year wrestler, O'Reilly said the reason for his success is simple.

"When I initially try something I tend to try and do my best that I can. I don't know I guess it pans out in my favour most of the times," he said.

Fockler said O'Reilly, who has done well in his rookie season to learn and to perform, is still working on technique and has the potential to improve.

"He's just so strong," he said. "We're hoping he comes back next year.'

Fockler and Klose are appreciative of the help they

The team's coaching staff included assistant coaches and Hawks' alumni Josh Dennys and Christianna

Fockler wants the momentum of this all-provincial experience to carry forward into next year.

Regardless of how we do [this] week hopefully that will carry us through next season. Best case scenario they see what OFSAA is like and come back hungry," he said.



## Joanne Barnes named Highlander of the Year

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Food Centre, which includes community kitchen and food bank.

"She cares deeply about the clients of the services and treats everyone with dignity and respect," the judge's note read.

Barnes was humble in accepting the award, saying it was all in a day's work.

"What I do is just everyday for me. It's wonderful to be acknowledged and even without the acknowledgement I would still be out there doing it. I enjoy helping people. It's nice to see them come into the office very downtrodden, but when they leave the office they have less weight on their shoulders. My mandate is to feed people and keep them warm," she said.

When it came to the Not-for-Profit

of the Year, it was noted that Fuel for Warmth had served some 400 families since it was established in 2009. The program assists with whatever type of heating the home uses, from oil to wood pellets. In the last two years, the Christmas Shindig fundraiser has raised more than \$23,000 for the organization.

The Business Achievement Award was given this year to Moose FM.

"In a time when competition for commercial radio is fierce, in 2015, 93.5 Moose FM was Vista Radio's No. 1 station out of 64 with regard to listener engagement," the judge's comments read, going on to note the station's ongoing commitment to raising money for the food banks and health care via radiothons. The award was accepted by Moose FM host Rick Lowes.

Customer First Business Award was given to Big Hawk Lake Marina.

The judges noted that the marina was the heart of the community, providing friendly service and going out of their way to help patrons. For example, they

keep their own boats in the water long after most cottagers have put theirs away and lend them out for free to those who need to make unscheduled trips back to their properties before the ice comes in. They also installed a defibrillator at the marina to improve safety for the community. Owners Ron and Kathy Socha accepted the award.

The Customer First Employee Award was one of the surprises of the evening, with the judges deciding in its inaugural year each of those employees nominated for giving excellent service would share the award. The winners were Cody Cox (Todd's Independent), Dave Adams (Sir Sam's Inn), Gail Crowe (Remedy Rx), Heather Kennedy (The Highlander), Ian Anderson (Chaulk Woodworking), Jason Cochrane (Dollo's Foodland), Paul Walker (Walker's Home Hardware), Ryan Urquhart (Halco Electronics), Sandra Stevens (Pinestone Resort), Stevi Young (Highland Glass and Windows), Terri Johnson (HHHS long-term care), Vicki Fraser (Haliburton County Public Library).

Entrepreneur of the Year Award was given to Jim Love of Digital Reno. Being an entrepreneur is about taking risks, the judge wrote. "Nothing is more fraught with risk than picking up stakes and moving to rural Ontario to launch a new idea," which is what Love did, bringing his tech company to Haliburton with intentions of creating sustainable hightech jobs.

The Innovation and Creativity Award was given to Into the Blue Bakery, which can be found around the county making wood-fired pizza. Recently, owner Janine Papadopoulos expanded with a bread and bagel club, to further the business through the winter season.

"Without a storefront location, Janine

was able to negotiate the use of two local kitchens: Baked and Battered ... and Abbey Gardens," the judge's comments read. Seven local people are employed by the company in the summer and Papadopoulos gives back by doing charitable work and donating five per cent of profits to local food initiatives.

You have embraced me in my short five years here in Haliburton and you've allowed me to do something I'm passionate about: baking," Papadopoulos said.

The New Business Award went to ACM Designs, a company owned by Andria Cowan Molyneaux, providing residential interior decorating specializing in aging in place. The judge noted that Cowan Molyneaux did substantial volunteering, has a specialty in providing design solutions to make homes more accessible and has been writing a column in County Life newspaper, sharing her knowledge with

"I was very lucky to retire from 22 years of policing in Toronto and I thought, what would be the most natural thing to do? Go into interior design," laughed Cowan Molyneaux. "So here I am.'

"I have to say as a woman as well taking risks, finding money, finding friends, understanding business relationships and committing to something that I really am passionate about and sharing that with my community is very, very important to me," she said, thanking those who had helped her along the way.

The Skilled Trades and Industry Award was given to Timestone Marble and Granite, which makes kitchen and vanity coun-

tertops.
"They go out of their way to help customers realize their visions for countertops and vanities, sourcing material from as far away as Peru," the judge's comments read, noting customers had commented on friendliness and willingness to go above and beyond.

The Tourism and Hospitality Award was given to Heather Lodge on Twelve Mile Lake near Minden. Maria Micallef and James Jennings bought the adult-only resort in 2013 and have made substantial changes since then.

"Offering exceptional made-to-order gourmet meals each handcrafted by chef James and a warm and welcoming intimate atmosphere, Heather Lodge creates an overall spectacular experience for couples of all ages," the judge's comments read. When they purchased Heather Lodge, Micallef and Jennings ran the resort by themselves. Today they have 22 employees.

The Warden's Award was one of the more emotional moments of the evening. Warden Carol Moffatt gave her speech by video as she was unable to attend the ceremony. This year she selected the firefighters of Haliburton County to be acknowledged for their commitment to creating a safe community.

Moffatt spoke from experience; she's been married to a firefighter for the last 25

"They run in when everyone else is running out. They see people at their worst and they see some pretty terrible things, but they keep going back," she said.

Haliburton County has 150 volunteer firefighters serving out of 10 halls in four municipalities.

"They deal with the smashed, the bleeding, the broken and the dead and for that they take home a couple thousand dollars pay," Moffatt said.

Fire chiefs from the four municipalities were present to accept the award.





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Presenters Kyle Brewer, left, and Curtis Eastmure of K.Brewer Financial Services, far right, stand with Rick Lowes and Kaitlyn Livingston of Moose FM who accepted the Business Achievement Award. ./DARREN LUM Staff

Jason Cochrane of Dollo's Foodland, Stevi

Young of Highland Glass & Windows, Ryan Urquhart of Halco Electronics,

Ian Anderson of Chaulk Woodworking, Heather Kennedy of The Highlander,

Cody Cox of Todd's Independent, Gail

Crowe of Remedy's, Sandra Stevens of Pinestone Resort, Paul Walker of Walker's

Home Hardware, Terri Johnson of HHHS

Long Term Care. Absent recipients were

Dave Adams of Sir Sam's Inn and Vicki

Fraser of Haliburton County Public Library./DARREN LUM Staff

#### Customer First - Business

Sponsored by: Technicalities Plus

#### **Nominees**

Big Hawk Lake Marina, Chaulk Woodworking, Haliburton Dance Academy, Pine Reflections Gift & Garden Centre, Ridgewood Ford, Sunny Rock Bed & Breakfast, Wintergreen Pancake Barn, Danielle Meredith Photography, Haliburton Chiropractic, Pretty Paws, Smokin' Jakes BBQ Shack, TD Bank, Walker's Home Hardware



Big Hawk Lake Marina owners Ron and Kathy Socha wor this year's Customer First - Business Award. They stand with presenter Donna Enright. /DARREN LUM Staff

#### And The Winner Is:

Big Hawk Lake Marina

#### **Entrepreneur of the Year**

Sponsored by: Patient News

#### *Nominees*

Brandi Hewson (WAI Products Ltd.), Jerry Walker (Walker's Home Hardware), Trevor Chaulk (Chaulk Woodworking), Jim Love (Digital Reno), Shane Leach (Smokin' Jakes BBQ Shack), Terri Matthews-Carl & Christoph Carl (Rhubarb Restaurant & Boshkung Brewing) JoAnne Sharpley (JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports)

And The Winner Is: Digital Reno



Jim Love of Digital Reno, left, won this year's Entrepreneur of the Year Award. He stands with presenter Matthew Roberts, main event sponsor Heat-Line Freeze Protection Systems.

#### And The Winner Is: Congratulations To Everyone!

#### The Warden's Award is awarded to:

Every Volunteer Firefighter in Haliburton County



On behalf of the 150 volunteer firefighters of Haliburton County from left, Algonquin Highlands fire chief Mike Cavanagh, Minden Hills fire chief Doug Schell, Dysart et al fire chief Miles Maughan and Highlands East fire chief Bill Wingrove accepted the Warden's Award

#### The Honourary Member Chamber of Commerce awarded to:

Mike Jaycock



The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce president Jerry Walker, left, presents the Honourary Member Chamber of Commerce Award to Mike Jaycock. The Chamber surprised Jaycock with the award, recognizing his 10 years as MC

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#### Highlander of the Year

Sponsored by: Lakeview Motel

#### **Nominees**

Aggie Tose Joanne Barnes Max Ward Fay Martin Tammy Rea

#### And The Winner Is: Joanne Barnes



From left, presenters John and Holly McDonald stand with this year's Highlander of the Year Joanne Barnes. /DARREN LUM Staff

#### **Innovation & Creativity**

Sponsored by: Haliburton County Development Corp.

#### Nominees

Yours Outdoors Chaulk Woodworking Into the Blue Bakery *Indigodragonfly* 

#### And The Winner Is: Into The Blue Bakery



Presenter Andrew Hodgson, chairman of Haliburton County Development Corporation, stands with the Innovation & Creativity Award recipient Janine Papadopoulos of Into the

#### **New Business**

Sponsored by: Trophy Property Corp.

#### Nominees

ACM Designs, BeBe Bartoons, Cutting Edge Isabelles Hair Salon, Fit to be Live, Haliburton Dance Academy, JM Tree Service, Smokin' Jakes BBQ Shack, Walker's Home Hardware, On the Spot Variety

#### And The Winner Is: **ACM Designs**



Presenter Peter Brady of Trophy Property Corp. stands with the New Business Award recipient Andria Cowan Molyneaux of ACM Designs. /DARREN LUM Staff

#### Not-for-Profit of the Year

Sponsored by: Bank of Montreal

#### Nominees

Bark Lake Cultural Developments Fuel for Warmth Haliburton & District Lions Club Haliburton County Snowmobile Association SIRCH Community Services

#### And The Winner Is: **Fuel for Warmth**



Presenter Richard Wannan of Bank of Montreal Haliburton stands with the Not-for-Profit of the Year Award recipient Joanne Barnes of Fuel for Warmth. /DARREN LUM Staff

#### **Skilled Trades & Industry**

Sponsored by: Minden Subaru

#### **Nominees**

Chaulk Woodworking **Positive Media Productions** Timestone Marble & Granite



#### And The Winner Is:

Timestone Marble & Granite

#### **Tourism & Hospitality**

Sponsored by: County of Haliburton - Tourism & Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization

#### *Nominees*

Heather Lodge, Stouffer Mill Bed & Breakfast, Yours Outdoors, Miner's Bay Lodge, Haliburton Driving Range & The Mulligan Club, Sir Sam's Ski & Ride, Smokin' Jakes BBQ Shack, Spa in the Highlands, Butternut Mercantile & Coffee Parlour



And The Winner Is: Heather Lodge



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The Haliburton County Development Corporation supports business with planning, research, development and implementation to expand markets and increase productivity.

The Haliburton County Development Corporation is a not-for-profit community based organization funded by FedDev Ontario and has been providing financing to businesses since 1986.

www.haliburtoncdc.ca



## Dancers fill LWMC to raise funds for Harcourt

community news -

#### wilberforce

Hilda Clark 448-2018 Your public library is a lively place with a wide range of books for all ages and interests to read and enjoy. And if it's a book not on the Wilberforce shelves they will try to have it brought from another library in the province! There is access to the Internet there and if needed just a place to sit comfortably and read.

Starting Thursday, March 3 Toddler Time will start at the Wilberforce branch

between 11 and 11:30 a.m. for children up to five years and their caregivers. Reading kits will be distributed to share with your child at home.

Yoga At The Library also continues there every Thursday 12 noon to 1 p.m. Join this by making a donation to the Friends of the Library. Some mats are

During March school break on Thursday, March 17, there will be a special Craft and Story Time beginning at 2 p.m.
The Book Club's meeting will be this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. to make up for

one cancelled due to storm. As The Fog Clears by Jacquie Roberson is being read by members this month.

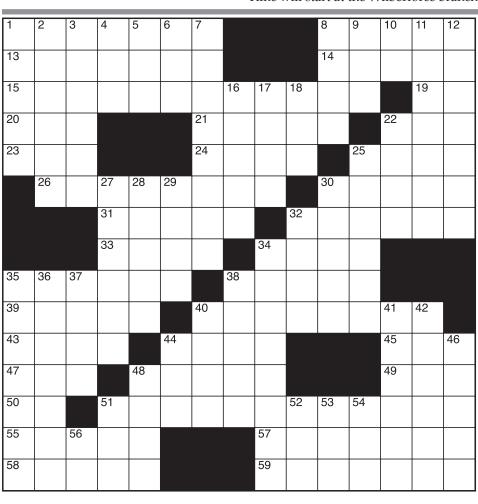
It takes a worthy cause these days to rouse folks into heading out to a dance on a frosty night in February and raising funds to use in rebuilding the Harcourt Community Centre was just the thing that filled the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre in Wilberforce last Saturday night.

They participated generously in a silent auction, in a 50/50 draw. Tom and The Crosscuts band came out of retirement to play and sing. What a good range of music for dancing and listening. Sure had the fols up on the floor!

The organizers and all those who helped out in so many ways did a tremendous job of fund raising. And for providing members of the community an opportunity to have a good time supporting a good cause.

Rehearsals for the Loop Troupe's spring production are going very well. It's amazing all the places a group can rehearse when the LWMC stage is not available. Do mark April 22 and 23 on your calendar to see their presentation of Who Murdered Who?

Guest speaker Glenda Burke delivered an uplifting thoughtful talk at Morning Prayer service at St, Margaret's Church last Sunday. Not the first time Glenda has spoken here. Do come back and maybe They came. They visited. They danced. even include a song in your presentation.



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- 19. Plutonium
- 20. Necessary for breathing
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- 23. A baglike structure in a plant or ani-
- 24. Put on
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- 26. Blushed
- 30. Celestial object
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- 40. Anticipates
- 43. Paris airport 44. Deal with
- 45. No (Scottish)
- 47. Opens lock
- 48. Central parts
- 49. Sheep disease
- 50. Indicates position
- 51. Doing many things at once
- 55. Khoikhoin peoples 57. Informal alliance between countries
- 58. Long poems
- 59. The state of being poorly illuminated

#### **CLUES DOWN**

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- 3. Punish with an arbitrary penalty
- 4. Household god (Roman)
- 5. Public television station
- 6. \_\_ Lilly, drug company
- 7. Degraded
- 8. Free from danger
- 9. Low bank or reef of coral
- 10. Exclamation of surprise
- 11. Lies down in rest
- 12. Give an education to
- 16. Provides
- 17. Fat from a pig
- 18. Belonging to a thing
- 22. Branches of a bone
- 25. Having a cheerless aspect or dispo-
- 27. Edema (archaic)
- 28. Bo \_\_\_, '10'
- 29. Unfledged or nestling hawk
- 30. Surrenders
- 32. Type of dessert
- 34. Planted with trees
- 35. Washington town
- 36. Listen in
- 37. Inwardly
- 38. Chinese province
- 40. Garrison
- 41. Converts thermal energy to mechanical work
  - 42. Holy people
  - 44. Lowest point between two peaks
  - 46. Boundaries
  - 48. Utter obscenities
  - 51. \_\_\_ and cheese
  - 52. Member of the cuckoo family
  - 53. Type of microscope
  - \_ and Barbie
  - 56. Michigan

## More than 200 ride in annual snowshuffle

community news -

#### west guilford

Eleanor Cooper 754-2278

Snowshuffle was a huge success on Feb. 27 with sold out tickets for over 200 rid-

Start and finish were at the centre with the route encompassing narrows at Redstone, Kennisis Lake area, Sherbourne dam, lunch at end of Kushog Lake and back to Guilford passing Lake St. Nora and Pine Springs and Carnarvon.

Lynn Morrison, Kim Arnold and Mary Harrison held sway at the registration welcome desk. Dinner was served at 6 p.m. and D.J. Scott Stanton of Barrie did the honours at the dance which followed.

Thanks to all who made the event happen so well.

Best wishes for full recovery to Marjorie

Nicholls who has been in hospital for a

Congratulations on their 50th wedding anniversary to Bob and Shirley Adams on Feb. 26, 2016.

Nicole Winfield and her father, Lloyd, of St. Catharines spent a couple of days with Perry and Kay Morrison who were their hosts while Nicole spent the daytime hours at Indigo Dragonfly on the Kennisis Road. This brief but intensive course in fabric and dyeing gave Nicole further experience as she completes her course in fashion design from Fanshaw College of

The Winfields participated in the euchre night before their early departure the next day.

Euchre scores:

High- Robert McIvor and Lorraine

Low- Henk van Nood and Nicole Win-

Most lone hands-Shirley McDowell and Bob Clark

Specials- Kay Morrison and Lloyd Win-



Preferably from before 1970

Help revive our Pic of the Past section by sending in your pictures. Bring them in to the Echo office at 146 Highland Street or email them to jenn@haliburtonpress.com with dates and any other information.



## Winterdance excited for 14<sup>th</sup> installment of Derby

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Just like the hundreds of jubilant students across the county enjoying their snow day, Tanya McCready DeBruin was also excited for the falling snow outside her window last week, but for a different reason.

This year's winter weather is greatly anticipated for the 14th installment of the Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby on March 5 and 6 at the Pinestone Resort, which is organized by McCready DeBruin, an owner and operator with husband Hank of Winterdance Dogsled Tours.

'Gosh, I don't even know what to say this year, whether to think it's a flash in the pan or maybe winter is actually finally kicking in, but when I look at the long range forecast it looks like we've got at least two weeks. For Winterdance it's great and for the Dogsled Derby it's amazing, so I'll take whatever will come," she said.

In the past, the event has faced cancellation and the threat of postponement due to unseasonably warm con-

After the disappointing withdrawal for her husband from the Yukon Quest recently, the scheduled event was a welcom distraction for McCready DeBruin. The planning for the derby was something they started as soon as they returned from the race.

"We got something to plan and to run for so it definitely helps us get going and back on our feet a little quicker, I think," she said.

Witness the power of the dogs, pulling competitors at speeds up to 30 kilometres per hour in dogsleds or on Nordic skis for skijoring where competitors are harnessed to a dog or two with a leash.

McCready DeBruin invites the public to the free twoday spectacle that features close to 100 mushers, skijorers and their exhuberant dogs, who will be barking and jumping to start their respective races on groomed course routes on the property of the Pinestone, on County Road 21 just outside Haliburton.

This event is a world cup sanctioned event by the International Federation of Sleddog Sports (IFSS).

The start/finish will be at the front of the Pinestone, closest to the manmade pond, allowing spectators to see a lot of the action.

The four-dog mushers and one-dog skijor racers will compete on the four-mile course while the eight- and sixdog mushers, including the two-dog skijorers will compete on the six mile course.

The youth (up to 17 years) and novice (beginners and sport rookies) racers will complete a two mile course.

The youngest competitors will get their opportunity to race in the kid and mutt category competitors, who are aged two to 10. They must bring their own dog to com-

"They're always the crowd favourite because they just do a 100 metre dash from the start line. They're always a blast to watch," she said.

Other than the Kid and Mutt race at 12:45 on Saturday, spectators are encouraged to leave pet animals at home for the safety of the mushers.

"If you're not racing better to leave them at home," she

Anyone interesting in volunteering can contact Winterdance's Barb Bohlin.

"If there is anyone out there that wants to call and volunteer I'm sure she'll find [you] something to do. Volunteers are always welcome," she said.

She appreciates the support by the event's long-time hosts, the Pinestone, which has hosted the event more than 10 years.

The resort is not only the venue for the races, but is also opening its property to visitors.

The skating area will be available and plans are underway to provide a tobogganing hill.

For both nights there will be live entertainment (Jeff Moulton on Friday and Gord Kidd on Saturday) in the Pinestone at the Highlander Bar. No cover for either.

These will get people "just a little bit more engaged as far as things going on to keep people entertained for sure. Bigger and better things are planned for our 15th anniversary [of the Derby]," she said, referring to next

For more information and the itinerary for the event see www.haliburtondogsledderby.com/watch.htm.

Events



There some miniature mushers in the kid and mutt category at the Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby.



They're always the crowd favourite because they just do a 100 metre dash from the start line.

— Tanya McCready Debruin

### Votice



#### Municipality of Dysart et al

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#### SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Pursuant to By-law No. 2014-31, notice is hereby provided that Council will be hold the following Special Meetings:

Special Council Meeting - Monday, March 7th at 4:30 p.m. regarding a Planning matter pertaining to the Lands of Patterson (Abbey Gardens), 1067 Garden Gate Drive, Township of Dysart.

2016 Budget - Thursday, March 10th at 9:00 a.m. and during the Regular Council meeting on Tuesday, March 29th. Also, during these meetings Council will be reviewing proposed fees for the A.J. LaRue Arena and Waste Disposal.

Also, during the Regular Council meeting on Tuesday, March 29th Council will be reviewing the Procedural By-law.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Coulson, Clerk at 705-457-1740 or ccoulson@dyartetal.ca.

#### **NOTICE**

#### (Applicants – STEVENSON)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The  $Corporation\ of\ the\ Municipality\ of\ Highlands\ East\ proposes\ to\ consider\ and$ if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on **Monday, the 25th day of April, 2016,** at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of Lot 8, Concession 15 designated as Road Allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to H16002, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 2,3 and 4 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by GREG BISHOP, O.L.S., dated June 2, 2015., subject to an easement for Bell Canada and Hydro One Networks Inc. over Part 3.

#### SECONDLY

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 15, Concession 8, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 5 and 6 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by **GREG BISHOP**, **O.L.S., dated June 2, 2015.** (Part 6 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).

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The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Coucil should contact the Township office for delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 1st day of March, 2016.

> IRENE S. COOK, CMO CLERK/CEMC Box 295, 2249 Loop Road WILBERFORCE, ON K0L 3C0

#### **UPCOMING**

### Community **Events**

See more events in our Winter Guide, available on newsstands across the Haliburton Highlands.

Want to get your event in Community Calendar? It's free! Contact Pat at classifieds@haliburtonpress.com.

## Dated Events

#### **Haliburton County Farmers Association:** A farming Info Evening When: Tuesday March 1, 7:00 PM Where: SG Nesbitt Community Centre, Minden

It's about farming here in Haliburton. It's about growing things here in Haliburton. It's about raising

livestock - cattle, sheep, goats, chickens, etc. here in

Our presenters will each talk for about 15 minutes which takes up the first hour or so. Then the

meeting will break up and each presenter will have an area in the room where they will have additional

info and anyone can go talk to them one-on-one. Heather Candler, our support individual from OMFRA will also be available to share info on OMAFRA's programs and resources. Last but not least – the most important part – food and drinks

#### **Bowl for Kids Sake - Big Brother Big Sis-**

When: Wed. March 2, 2016 Where Fast Lane Bowling, Minden

Organize a team of bowlers. Collect pledges. No skill

No Cost to Bowler

Fore more info or to participate, please call Rawn at 705-286-

World Day of Prayer When: Friday March 4th 2-4pm Where: Our Lady of Fatima Church, 7 Bobcaygeon Rd.

Please join us as the Anglican, United, Bible and Catholic churches of Minden celebrate Cuba this year. Refreshments, Cuban music and slideshow to follow.

#### **EARLY ST.PATRICK'S FUN DAY**

When: Saturday March 5, 11:00 to 4:00 Where: BOBCAYGEON SENIORS CENTRE, 100 Head Street COST IS \$5.00 (TICKETS ARE REQUIRED FOR THIS

EVENT) Lunch is included

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda 705738982

#### **HALIBURTON: Sexual Health Clinic**

When: Wednesday, March 9, 10:30 am to Noon. The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 1205.

#### Nature in the Hood 2016 - Reptiles Road

When: Saturday, Mar. 19, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Where: Haliburton Outdoors Association's Fish Hatchery 6712 Gelert Rd., Haliburton

Cost: General Admission: \$15.00 per adult, \$10.00 per child, Family Pass (up to 2 adults and

2 children): \$30.00. Passport Holders: \$10.00 per adult, \$5.00 per child, Family Pass

(up to 2 adults and 2 children): \$20.00

Leader: Scales Nature Park

The knowledgeable folks from Scales Nature Park will bring their highly acclaimed outreach program,

with a selection of interesting snakes and turtles for us to see, touch, and learn about.

For more information or to register contact the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, 705-457-3700, www. haliburtonlandtrust.ca

#### Abbey Gardens Presents. . . Full Moon Series, Yoga in the Yurt. . . Yogurt!

When: Wednesday March 23, 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Where Abbey Gardens

Light active yoga with Lynda Shadbolt of Haliburton Yoga (bring yoga mat & socks)

Participation by Donation. Suggested Donations is \$10.00 Register today. On-line at www.abbeygardens.ca or call 705-

Spaces Limited!

## March Break madness in the Highlands

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

There is no reason to let boredom get your family down this March, as there is a plethora of activities to choose from in and around the Highlands.

Throughout the middle of March, kids can enjoy events such as maple syrup boiling, an earth walk, Victorian crafts and more.

Kick-off March Break with the annual Maple Fest at the Haliburton Highlands Museum from March 12 to 20

from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"I have decided to be brave and bold and we're going

"I have decided to be brave and bold and we're going to do it every day of March Break," said museum direc-

Organizers will be boiling maple syrup the old-fashion way, using a 115-year-old sap kettle and will be giving out treats. There will be contests, crafts and hot choco-

#### **CROSSWORD ANSWERS**

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In addition to Maple Fest, the museum is also hosting a Victorian games afternoon on Tuesday, March 15 from

Targetting kids between the ages of six and 12, the afternoon will be spent trying out various games children played in Haliburton more than 100 years ago.

And March Break wouldn't be complete without a little luck from the Irish, with the museum hosting a St. Patrick's themed day on Thursday, March 17.

From 1 to 3 p.m., kids can live the life of a leprechaun with scavenger hunts, games and stories from the Emerald Isle. This event is suitable for all ages.

Last year's St. Patrick's Day event drew in about 50 people to the museum, Butler said.

'We had to do an emergency craft supply run into town," she joked.

On Friday, March 18, the museum will also be featuring horses from South Algonquin Trails for a meet and greet between 1 and 3 p.m.

"It's going to be a busy, busy, busy week," Butler said. Activities at the museum are free of charge, with donations gratefully appreciated.

For more information visit www.haliburtonhigh-landsmuseum.com or call 705-457-2760. The museum is located at 66 Museum Rd., Haliburton.

Up the road from the museum, Abbey Gardens is also hosting a variety of programs, including a Kids in the Kitchen event, where kids will spend time in the kitchen with local chef Aaron Walker. The program also includes physical activity, snacks and crafts.

Another program offered during their three-day schedule of activities includes an earth walk, where children will go on a sensory adventure where they learn

The programs are \$25 per day or \$60 for all three days. Abbey Gardens is at 1012 Garden Gate Dr., off of Highway 118 in West Guilford. Find out more by visiting www.abbeygardens.ca or call 705-754-4769.

To submit your event to our Community Events, email classifieds@haliburtonpress.com.



#### **NOTICE**

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Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 14, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 1 and 2 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by GREG BISHOP, O.L.S., dated October 8, 2015. (Part 2 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).

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DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 1st day of March, 2016.

IRENE S. COOK, CMO

CLERK/CEMC Box 295, 2249 Loop Road WILBERFORCE, ON KOL 3CO

#### **NOTICE**

#### (Applicants – KOLBASENKO)

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE SHORE ROAD ALLOWANCE ALONG THE SHORE OF LORRAINE LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on **Monday**, the 25th day of April, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 18, Concession 10, Township of Monmouth, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by C.T. STRONGMAN SURVEYING LTD., dated October 27, 2015

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m.to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce,

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Coucil should contact the Township office for delegation time.

**DATED** at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 1st day of March, 2016.

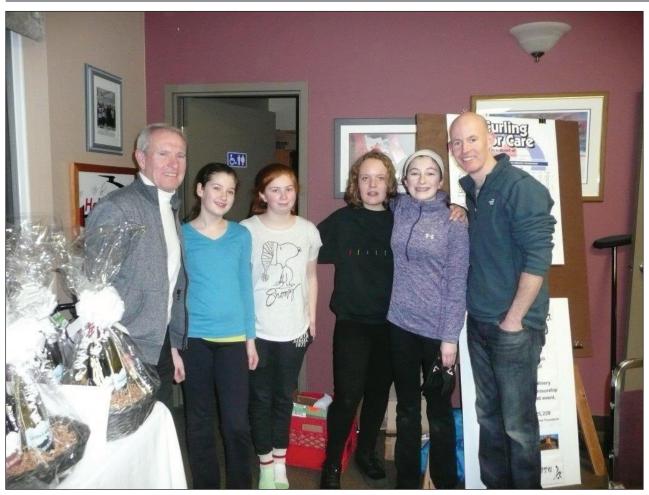
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## Girls continue OWHA playdowns in Keene

The Bancroft I.D.A./Canadian Tire Midget B Girls Jets continued their OWHA playdowns on Saturday, Feb. 27 in Keene. The afternoon match-up was the second against Keene and Game 4 of their six-game format playing all teams in a home-and-home round robin to determine the one team to advance to the all-Ontario provincial finals. The Jets peppered the Wolverine tender but could not fire anything past the goalie. The game remained scoreless after two periods with the Jets having the bulk of the scoring chances. Early into the

third period, Keene capitalized on a rebound to break the 0-0 tie. The Jets tried to find the equalizer but were not successful. The final score remained 1-0 in favour of the Wolverines. The loss puts Bancroft with a OWHA playdown record one win, two losses - and one tie .. they will need some help now to earn a spot in the April provincial championships. The Jets will try to play spoiler and possibly find a way into the all-Ontario finals with their last two games against Cold Creek. The Jets play Cold Creek on Monday, Feb. 29 in Bancroft at 7 p.m. in their third game of their second round of their LLFHL play-off finals. The Jets lead the four point series - three points to one. Bancroft also plays the Comets in their last two games of the OWHA playdowns on Saturday, March 5 at 1 p.m. on the road in Frankford and then Sunday, March 6 at 4:30 p.m. in Bancroft. Go Jets! As you try to win-out your last games to advance to the LLFHL final round and possibly the OWHA provin-

Submitted by Dan Marsden



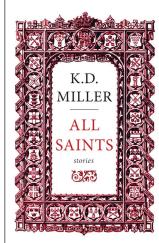
#### Girls win bonspiel

The public school girls team won the Curl for Care bonspiel. From left to right: Volunteer Bob MacNaull, Jessica Byers - skip, Holly Parish - second, Lena Haase - lead, Mackenzie Tidey - vice, Steve Todd, owner, Todd's Independent Grocers - Sponsor. Photo by Dale Walker

## Book of the Month

All Saints by K.D. Miller

In a linked collection that presents the secret small tragedies of an Anglican congregation struggling to survive, All Saints delves into the life of Simon, the Reverend, and the lives of his parishioners: Miss Alice Vipond, a refined and elderly schoolteacher, incarcerated for a horrendous crime; a woman driven to extreme anxiety by an affair she cannot end; a receptionist, and her act of improbable generosity; a writer making peace with her divorce. Effortlessly written and can-



didly observed, All Saints is a moving collection of tremendous skill, whose intersecting stories illuminate the tenacity and vulnerability of modern-day believers.

All Saints by K.D. Miller is available to reserve at Haliburton County Public Library. It is also one of our Evergreen nominees for 2016. Read one or more of our Evergreen selections and vote for your favourite in October.

Library News

2016 Evergreen nominees are here! The Evergreen Award is part of the Ontario Library Association's Forest of Reading, and celebrates Canadian writing. This year's nominees include fiction, non-fiction, short stories, and a graphic novel. Participate in the Evergreen Award by reading one or more titles and voting for your favourite



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